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March 20, 2007

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE
ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

The Committee on Legislative Matters convened on March 20, 2007 with Chairman Thomas Taylor presiding and Committee Members Aldermen William Roche, Dennis Sullivan and Robert Trane also present and voting. Also present were Alderman Bruce Desmond and Walter Pero, City Solicitor John Gannon and Michael Lambert from the Mayor's Office.

Mr. Gannon presented the committee with a legal opinion regarding the dedication of memorials to persons other than veterans. In short, although there is nothing in the City's Code of Ordinances that precludes such dedications, it was recommended that the Board of Aldermen pass an amendment to the Code of Ordinances making it clear that the Commission on Monuments, Memorials and Dedications is also designated to make such dedications to non-veterans as well as veterans. Criteria guidelines for dedications will be incorporated into the proposed amendment. Alderman Pero, Chairman of the Veterans Services Committee, stated his support for the measure.

Mr. Gannon also presented the committee with a memo from the Communications Department relative to a public information and outreach campaign in support of the new Guerilla Marketing Ordinance.

The committee selected April 24th as the date to hold a public hearing on the matter of a Home Rule Petition relative to liquor licenses.

The committee discussed matters before it and took action on the following item:

182707: Communication from Mayor - Requesting approval of an Ordinance to require "guerilla marketing" firms to register with the Chief of Police before conducting activities in the City.

RECOMMENDATION: Should be approved

VOTE: Unanimous, 4 - 0 in favor

Alderman Thomas F. Taylor, Chairman
Committee on Legislative Matters

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